

PRICE, \$2.50 PER MONTH

Business Notices

the electric light had been extinguished in Angkor, but we saw some light in the windows of the hotel. It was very warm in the morning and the sun was shining brightly.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.
Corrected to Saturday, October 2, 1897.
At 1000 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.	Chinese Names.
Bacon, English, lb.	來路烟猪肉
" Am. Sugar cured, 360	花旗烟猪肉
" Boonhow, " "	福州烟猪肉
" Japan, cured, " "	日本烟猪肉
Beef, sixteen & prime cut, catty	尾龍肉
" Corned, " catty	鹹牛肉
" Roast, " "	燒牛肉
" Scorp, " "	狗肉
" Steak, " "	牛肉
Bullock's Steaks, per set	牛柳
" Tongue fresh, each	牛舌
" " corned, 310	鹹牛舌
" Head, " "	牛心
" Heart, " "	牛肝
" Hump, Salt, catty	牛肩
" Feet, " each	牛蹄
" Kidneys, " "	牛腰
" Tail, " "	牛尾
" Liver, " catty	牛肝
" Tripe (undressed), catty	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet, set	牛頭
Hams, American, lb.	花旗火腿
" Chinese, 250	金華火腿
" English, New, 320	日本火腿
" Japan, cured, 220	上海火腿
" Shanghai, 180	寧波火腿
Mutton Chop, 160	羊排
" Leg, 120	羊腿
" Shoulder, 100	羊肩
Pigs' Chittlings, catty	豬蹄
" Feet, 110	豬蹄
" Fry, 160	豬蹄
" Head, each	豬頭
" Heart, 50	豬心
" Kidneys, pair	豬腰
" Liver, lb.	豬肝
Pork, Chop, catty	豬排
" Corned, 190	鹹肉
" Leg, 180	豬腿
" Fat Lard, 180	豬油
Sheeps' Head and Feet, set	羊頭
" Heart, each	羊心
" Kidneys, lb.	羊腰
" Liver, lb.	羊肝
Sucking Figs, each	羊仔
Suet, Beef, lb.	牛油
" Mutton, catty	牛油
Veal, 130	牛仔肉

Poultry.	Chinese Names.
Chicken, catty	雞
Ospens, 250	鴨
Ducks, 150	鴨
Doves, each	鴿
Eggs, Hen, doz.	雞蛋
" Duck, 110	鴨蛋
Fowls, catty	雞
Geese, 180	鴨
Hares, each	兔
Musk Deer, 450	麝
Partridges, 180	野雞
Pigeons, 180	鴿
Pheasants, brace	雉
Rice Birds, doz.	鶉
Quail, each	鶉
Snipe, 180	鴉片
Turkeys, Cook, catty	火雞
" Hen, 350	火雞
Teal, each	水鴨
Wild Ducks, pair	野鴨

Fish.	Chinese Names.
Barbel, catty	魚
Bream, 50	魚
Bombay Ducks, piece	魚
Cotton Fresh Water Fish, catty	魚
Carp, 60	魚
Codfish, Salt, 60	魚
Crabs, 160	蟹
Cuttle Fish, 100	魚
Dab, 60	魚
Deer, 90	魚
Dog Fish, 100	魚
Bals, Congee, 300	魚
Sal, Yellow, 180	魚
File Fish, 250	魚
Frog, 80	魚
Fresh Fish, 80	魚
Garcupa, 280	魚
Gudgeon, 90	魚
Gurnard, 80	魚
Herring, 120	魚
" smoked, 100	魚
Halibut, catty	魚
Lobster, 120	魚
Loach, 140	魚
Lobster, 200	魚
Monkfish, 800	魚
Monk Fish, 120	魚
Salmon, 180	魚
Shrimp, 140	魚
Squid, 120	魚
Turkey, 140	魚
Wasp, 140	魚

Pike.	Chinese Names.
Plaice, 200	魚
Pomfret, White, 150	魚
Pomfret, Black, 250	魚
Prawns, 50	魚
Ray, 90	魚
Rock Fish, 200	魚
Salmon, (Canton), 50	魚
Shark, 100	魚
Salt Fish, 50	魚
Skate, 140	魚
Shrimps, 200	魚
Snapper, 130	魚
Soles, 120	魚
Tonch, 350	魚
Turbot, 70	魚
Turtles, small, fresh water, 90	魚
Whiting, 20	魚
White Bait, 20	魚

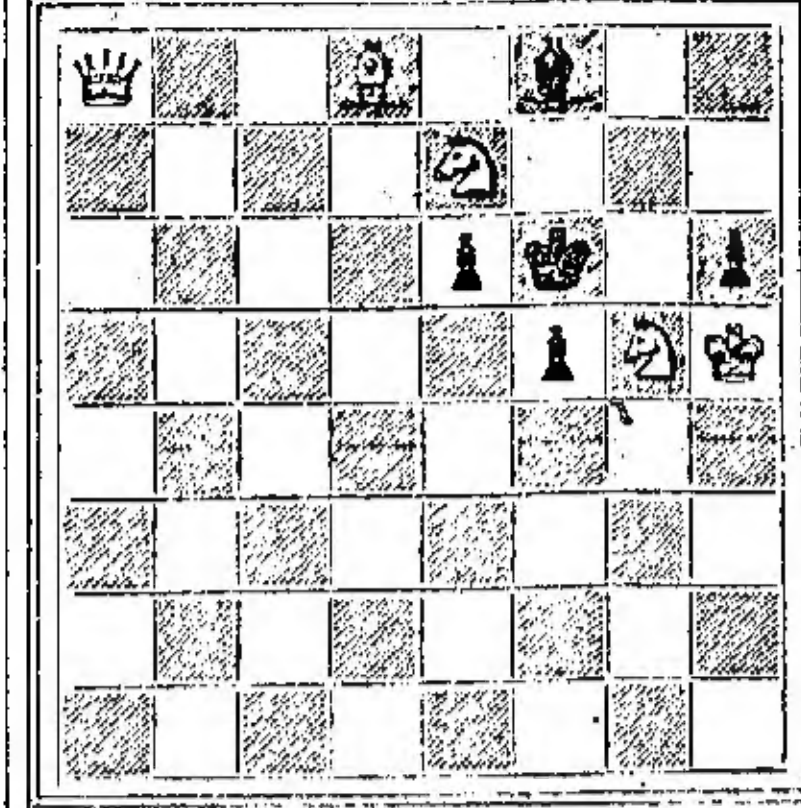
Fruits.	Chinese Names.
Apples, (California), catty	蘋果
" (Hawaii), 250	蘋果
" (Japan), 30	蘋果
Bananas, fragrant, 50	香蕉
" (brides), 50	香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese, 200	栗子
Carambola, 80	楊桃
Cucumbers, each	黃瓜
Ground Nuts, catty	花生
Grapes, 250	葡萄
Lemons, China, 80	檸檬
" Peel, 350	檸檬
Litchies, dried, 50	荔枝
" Fresh, 100	荔枝
Limes, 100	檸檬
Mango, (Siam), each	芒果
" (Hawaii), 100	芒果
Mangosteens, dozen	山竹
Oranges, sweet, catty	橙子
" Green, 50	橙子
" Red, 100	橙子
Olive, 50	橄欖
Pine-apples, each	鳳梨
Pears, catty	梨
" (Hawaii), 100	梨
Pine, Red, 100	梨
Pineapple, each	鳳梨
" (Siam), catty	鳳梨
Raisins, Muscatel, 100	葡萄乾
" Pudding, 100	葡萄乾
Water Chestnuts, com. 40	荸薺
" Mandarin, 60	荸薺
Walnuts, 120	胡桃

Vegetables, &c.	Chinese Names.
Arlabokke, Shanghai, catty	上海茭白
Beans, (French), 140	豆
" Long, 70	豆
Beet Root, each	甜菜
Brinjals, Green, catty	茄子
" Red, 40	茄子
Brassicas, 40	白菜
Bamboo Shoots, 40	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com. 30	白菜
Cabbage, each 130	白菜
Cauliflower, catty	花椰菜
Carrots, 90	胡蘿蔔
Celery, Chinese, 140	芹菜
" English, 130	芹菜
Chilies Dried, 80	辣椒
" Red, 80	辣椒
Curry Stuff, English, 50	咖喱
Cucumbers, 50	黃瓜
Edible Squash, 50	南瓜
Ginger, young, 120	薑
Horse Radish, S'hai, piece	蔞
Indian Corn, 10	玉米
Lettuce, (English), each	生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh, catty	蘑菇
Onions, Bombay, 60	洋蔥
" Green, 30	洋蔥
" Shanghai, 50	洋蔥
" Japan, 40	洋蔥
Okraes, 20	茄子
Pamley, English, bundle	洋蔥
Potatoes, Sweet, catty	甘薯
" Shanghai, 50	甘薯
" Japan, 40	甘薯
" American, 20	甘薯
" Potchow, 20	甘薯
" Macao, 20	甘薯
Pumpkin, 5	南瓜
Purslane, 25	蔞
Papaw, 20	木瓜
Radish, 30	蘿蔔
Rice, best quality, per poul, \$4.10	白米
" Common, \$4.10	白米
Rhizoma, catty	薑
Spinage, (Chinese), 30	菠菜
Spruce, 40	松
Tomatoes, 20	番茄
Turkey, Fowl, (Long), 30	火雞
Vegetable Marrow, 50	南瓜
" (Long), 50	南瓜
White Beans, 110	豆

CHESSE COLUMN.

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Communications should be addressed to 'CHINA MAIL OFFICE.'
Original Problems should be accompanied by Solution and Analysis.
The Hongkong Chess Club meets every Monday, Thursday and Friday from four till half-past seven p.m. at Thomas's Grill Room.

Problem No. 62.
By GUSTAV SCHMIDT, Bavaria.
Black (6 Pieces.)



White (5 Pieces.)
White to play and mate in two moves.
Solution to Problem No. 60 by Max J.

1. Kt-B5 Then if
1. KxP 2. Kt-Q4
1. KxR 2. B-Kt2
1. K B3 2. Q-Q4
1. Kt-B3 2. Kt-K3
1. Anyother 2. Kt-K7

Problem No. 61 published last week requires the addition of a Black Pawn at K B4. S. C. H. and J. S. please note.

Hongkong, Oct. 7.
With the cold weather rapidly drawing in upon us, it is desirable for players who have been resting during the summer to come forward again, and the Committee will readily arrange matches for them. Most important it is to have the International Match between teams from Great Britain, Portugal and Germany. A Jewish team would take some beating. Then again the instructive Gambit matches might be resumed, and another exhibition of simultaneous play would be attractive. I am afraid Hongkong players are too busy to solve problems, or perhaps it is that they share Mason's mistaken contempt for these trifles.

Beware of timidity in the opening. A gambit pawn is always worth accepting if only to return again later to consolidate your position, and when a centre pawn moves to threaten B-Kt 6 pinning your Knight on B 3 do not fail to meet him with P-R 3. Let him come on the likes and then drive him back with P-R 3 if it seems necessary. He must either exchange, which you can generally afford, or he must retire again, and his Bishop will be badly placed for the middle game.

When in doubt develop a piece, but be cautious of advancing pawns. Every pawn moved after the centre pawns are out, leaves a strong place for a week one and a group of three pawns still on the second rank are a strong shelter and a useful resource in the end game. Above all, play slowly. Bird and Janowski played a game at Hastings, drawn on the 11th move in six hours and ten minutes when the time limit would have allowed so long a game 14 hours. The result was that the veteran three times had a winning position and missed his advantage by his rapidity of play!

The high esteem in which Chess was held in Mediaeval times is sufficiently attested by the frequent reference to it in Arthurian and other legends. More than this, a few more than sixteen noble families bore a chess root in their coats of arms. It was probably introduced into Europe along with Algebra and the usual series of antiques figures by the Arabs when they sought to extend the realm of Islam northwards and Westward and to confer upon Europeans other benefits for which they were even less grateful.

At the same time it is not quite correct to say that Chess has gone hand in hand with civilization, for its area is wider than that of civilized countries. Moreover, nations have been known to relapse into barbarism, but no country that has ever learnt chess has ever forgotten the precious knowledge. The various Asiatic forms of the game agree most marvellously in essentials, and it is remarkable how much assistance an English player derives from his knowledge of the European game, in playing Chinese Chess.

Game No. 156.
Played at Nuremberg.
KING'S ROOK'S GAMBIT.

White (Charousek). Black (Lasker).
1. P-K4 P-K4
2. P-K4 B-K4
3. B-P4 P-Q4
4. BxP Q-R4
5. K-B4 Q-K4
6. Kt-K3 B-K4
7. P-K4 B-K4
8. Kt-B3 P-Q4
9. B-Q4 B-K4
10. P-B3 BxKt (Q)
11. K-B2 Castles
12. PxB Castles
13. PxP (c) QxP
14. Kt-K2 Q-K2
15. P-B3 Kt-K4
16. Q-K4 Kt-B3
17. QxKt Kt-B3
18. BxP Q-K2
19. Q-R4 (d) P-Q4
20. Q-R5 Kt-B3
21. Kt-Kt3 Kt-B3
22. Kt-B3 Q-B3
23. B-Kt3 Kt-Q3
24. Kt-B3 QxKt
25. Q-K5 (f) QxQ
26. BxP P-B3 (g)
27. BxP B-B3
28. B-R4 B-B3
29. K-K3 Kt-Kt7ch
30. K-Q2 K (Q) B-K2
31. P-Q5 B-B3
32. Q-R4 Kt-K3
33. P-B4 Kt-B3
34. K-K3 Kt-B3
35. P-Q5 Kt-Q2
36. P-K6 Resigns.

NOTES:
(a) Perhaps premature. 0...P-KR3 was safer.
(b) Forced. If not, 12 P-P4, etc.
(c) The Black KRP is now hopelessly weakened.
(d) White is now a pawn ahead and has the better game.
(e) In anticipation of P-Q4.
(f) The simplest line of play. The strong pawns must win.
(g) To save the Black Pawn, the release of which is Black's only chance of a draw.

Game No. 157.	White.	Black.
TAUNTON'S OPENING.	(H. Mank.)	(J. H. Zukertort.)
1. P-K4	P-K4	
2. Kt-K3	Kt-K3	
3. B-P4	B-P4	
4. BxP	BxP	
5. Kt-B3	Kt-B3	
6. Q-R4	Q-R4	
7. Kt-Kt3	Kt-Kt3	
8. Castles	Castles	
9. R-K4	R-K4	
10. PxB	PxB	
11. QxP	QxP	
12. P-Kt3	P-Kt3	
13. P-Q4	P-Q4	
14. Q-Q3	Q-Q3	
15. B-K3	B-K3	
16. Kt-Q2	Kt-Q2	
17. K-Q	K-Q	
18. K-Kt4	K-Kt4	

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their weekly share report, dated Hongkong 6th October, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:
Since our last report the market has continued steady and rates have been well maintained.
Bank—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been placed in small lots at 177 per cent premium, and closing steady at the rate. The London quotation is £42.10. Bank of China and Japan Deferred shares have been placed at \$100. Nationals advanced to \$20, and changed hands at the rate, but there are again sellers at \$19.
Mining—Lions have been placed at \$15, and are still required for China. China are offering at \$73 ex-dividend of \$5 per share paid on the 4th instant. Straits have been placed at \$17, and are wanted at \$18.
Five Insurance—Hongkong Fire have been placed at \$395 without sale. China Fire have been placed at \$100, and are wanted.
Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship have been negotiated at \$312. Indo-China have been in strong demand, and several lots have been taken off the market at \$60. China and Malacca are in demand at \$75. Douglas Steamships, owing to the total loss of the Company's S.S. Nippon, have declined to \$69 shares. The market for the sale of the Company's S.S. Nippon has been taken off at \$51, and are still obtainable. The Preference shares are required for at \$1.60. Mr Bailey has accepted the Company's terms for the sale of the Purim Concession. Charbonnages have been placed at \$87. Nippon Insurance have been placed at \$1.60. Jelebus have been placed at \$40. Ratus advanced to \$23, and changed hands to a fair extent, but are again easier with shares offering at \$22. Olivers have been placed to a considerable extent at \$1.60, and are still obtainable. The Preference shares are required for at \$1.60. 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INSURANCE.

THE COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

TYPHOON INSURANCE.

The above Company are prepared to accept risks on buildings against loss or damage by Typhoon at Moderate rates.

For Particulars, apply to

W. H. T. DAVIS, Acting Local Manager, Hongkong, June 10, 1897. 1163

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714.

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.

TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS, £2,300,000.

TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Society in Hongkong, are prepared to issue Policies against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING & Co., Praya Central.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1895, £12,433,131.

Authorized Capital, £20,000,000.

Subscribed Capital, £20,000,000.

Reserve Fund, £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Company in Hongkong, are prepared to accept RISKS on FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1547

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS—OCTOBER 7, 1897.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Outstanding.	Quotations.
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	30,000	£12 1/2	all	177 % prem.	= \$346.25.
Bank of China & Japan, Limited	39,950	£2 1/2	all	5 % div.	(sales & sellers)
Ordinary	18,870	£2 1/2	all	5 % div.	
Deferred	12	£1 1/2	all	5 % div.	
National Bank of China, Limited	10,000	£10 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Union Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	£10 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£20 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£20 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
STEAMSHIPS.					
China and Japan S. S. Co., Ltd.	5,000	£50 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
China Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	£200 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
China S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	£200 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
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LAND AND BUILDING.					
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	£500 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	5,000	£50 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	25,000	£250 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	12,500	£125 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
TRAMWAYS.					
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£12 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
MINE.					
Jelby Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
New Pacific Mining Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Preference shares.					
Société Française des Charbonnages de Tonkin	12,000	£120 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
New Salmor Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Preference shares.					
Ranch Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Preference shares.					
Oliver Freshfield Mines, Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
PLANTING, ETC.					
China-Borneo Company, Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited, in liq.	5,000	£50 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
HOTELS, ETC.					
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£120 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
DISPENSARIES.					
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	30,000	£300 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
HE. and China Gas Co., Limited.	7,000	£70 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	20,000	£200 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
MERCHANDISE.					
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	3,000	£30 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Camplin, Moore & Co., Limited	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Geo. Beame & Co., Limited	6,000	£60 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£50 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Two Joint Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Leong-King-Mow Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Camplin & Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	
Boy Chit Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	£100 1/2	all	125 % sales and buyers	

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THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG EXCHANGE.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.

LIST OF EXCHANGE SUBSCRIBERS.

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